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NEXT THREE MEETINGS

APRIL 16, 1988... Tri-Club Show
Sheraton Inn, Lanham,New Carrollton,MD
12:00 - 3:00 P.M.
Room 1003

JUNE 11, 1988... MD State Numismatic Association Convention,
Festival Hall, Inner Harbor, Baltimore,MD
12 noon - 3:00P.M.
Room to be announced

JULY 9,1988 ... Metropolitan Washington Numismatic Association Convention (MWNA)
Sheraton Inn - Lanham, New Carrollton,MD
Time and Room to be announced

The President's Message

Bill Miller

Spring is coming! And with Spring comes our Annual Meeting to be held this April 16th in conjunction with the Tri-Club Show at the Sheraton Inn at New Carrollton, Md. This year, along with our Literary Awards, we are scheduling a benefit auction with proceeds going towards the bookfund. Everyone is encouraged to donate an item or two and make this auction meaningful and successful. Also, Mill Hajek will be our speaker and will take us on "A Stroll Down German Street". We hope that all members will make a special effort to attend this meeting.

And speaking of meetings, our last meeting, held at the Enoch Pratt Library's Central Branch in Baltimore in January, was a big success. The meeting was well attended and everyone seemed to have a good time, especially during the fire drill which forced us to evacuate the building! I'm open to suggestions as to where we can have our January meeting next year.

Charles Kirtley, a Md. TAMS member from North Carolina, wrote me a nice letter recently announcing that he will be conducting an auction sale of exonumia at the MSNA Show in Baltimore in June. He anticipates his "finest sale ever". A major sale such as this one should generate a lot of interest and attract a lot of people to the convention, so we wish Chuck a lot of luck. By the way, he says he is interested in consignments if you have any duplicates in your collection.

We are finalizing our plans to help out at the MSNA Convention. As a host club we will be manning the registration table on Friday, June 8th. Remember, as a host club we stand to make a substantial sum of money for MD TAMS, so please contact Bryce Doxzon if you wish to help out.

Jack Pryor also recently wrote to me expressing interest in our striking a medal commemorating the 200th anniversary of Maryland's ratifying the Constitution. We will discuss this at our next meeting, so be sure to come ready to state your opinion.

Finally, I'd like to update you on the Maryland Merchant Tokens catalog. Pete Burris paid MSNA an additional $500 in January, which leaves the balance owed to them at $4,000. A reasonable goal would be to pay this sum off by January 1, 1989. What would it take to accomplish this goal? Well, if less than 2/3's of our members (approx. 90) sold just one book we would be free and clear of all debts! The question is: can we do it? The answer should be a resounding YES!!

Hope to see you on April 16th....

LETTER FROM BRYCE DOXZON, MD TAMS VICE-PRESIDENT

Dear Md. TAMS Member:

In the previous Md. TAMS Journal I reminded you of the upcoming Maryland State Numismatic Association convention and coin show, to be held June 10-12 at Festival Hall, and the society's selection as a host club. In that issue I also detailed what our duties were as a host club. I especially asked for your help in staffing the registration desk on Friday, June 10, the day we are designated to do so. As of the deadline for this issue I have not yet heard from any of you. I think I can attribute some of the silence thus far to your thinking that the convention is still some time away from now, but it will be less than three months before the convention by the time you read this. Soon enough the convention will be right on top of us, and we will be expected to have people on hand to man the registration desk the whole day. It won't reflect well on our support of Maryland numismatics if we are short-handed on June 10, and it will hurt our portion of the convention profits that host clubs usually receive. Don't expect committee chairmen Bill Miller and Will Mumford to fully carry the ball for us; they too are looking for your registration desk help. As the convention draws closer, think seriously about giving it a little of your support for a few hours on June 10 and drop me a line (include your phone number) at the society address (I pick up the Md. TAMS mail there) to say you will help. With your support the 1988 MSNA convention can become its most successful show yet.

Respectfully,

Bryce Doxzon, Vice-President

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From The Editor

ADD TO OUR MARYLAND TOKEN HERITAGE....

Maryland's place in the history of tokens is well established as one of the most historic of all states. The tokens of John Chalmers of Annapolis (1783) and the Standish Barry tokens of Baltimore (1790) are among the earlist of all tokens issued in the United States. A Baltimore connection has just recently been established with the sale of hard times tokens in the city. It seems a prominate merchant by the name of E.H. Merrill was brought to trial and found quilty for vending or passing spurious copper coins (Dec. 1837).

Tokens from Maryland before the Civil War are few and far between, but not so rare that they are not collectable. Only a few Maryland Civil War tokens are known, but just recently about a dozen beer tokens previously attributed to Chicago have been reattributed to Baltimore. Unfortunatly, they are all very rare (less than 10 known). I personally feel that more Maryland Civil War tokens exist, but we haven't been able to attribute them... yet!

Following the Civil War Maryland farmers and packers issued many varieties of tokens to pay their employees. The Anne Arundel County farm tokens alone represent over 1000 varieties of checks.

By the turn of the century, tokens were common in the Baltimore area. Bakers, saloons, dairies, grocery stores, billiard parlors and others joined the canneries in the use of tokens. As the canneries migrated to the Eastern Shore so did the tokens, which were used extensively to pay employees.

With legalized gambling in some Maryland counties many nickel sized gaming tokens were issued. Most of these are hard to attribute as they were usually generic and have no identity with a specific location.

Great challenges await the Maryland token collector as our state lays claim to a large number of "maverick" tokens. This challenge should generate more research from Maryland collectors... and we await the results of your research. Our journal is the mechanism to report this research and share your finds with fellow token collectors. Using the new Schenkman catalog, Maryland Merchant Tokens as your quide start researching those mavericks in your collection or expand the information on the listed tokens. Your contributions can add to the rich pride of our Maryland token heritage... Why don't you give it a try.. You'll enjoy the experience and make a nice contribution to your hobby.... Good luck.....

An Issue of Personalized Medals with the MD TAMS Logo

By Jerry Remick, MD TAMS # R-205

As a relatively new member of the Maryland TAMS, I was very happy when the administrators of this society allowed me to use the societies new crest die to strike a small issue of personalized 38 mm medals. I donated $10 US to the society to aid in payment of this die.

My personalized medals as shown above are available in antiqued finishes of copper, gold plate or silver plate postpaid at $2.75 US each or three for $7.00 US from Jerry Remick, Box 9183, Ste Foy, Quebec, Canada, G1V 4B1. I also have 38 mm medals with the crests of TAMS, ANA, the Catonsville Coin Club and many others in the same metals and at the same prices. I'll send an illustrated eight page list of my medals to anyone that writes me. Please include 50¢ for postage.

I would like to encourage each member of the Maryland TAMS to seriously consider their own issue of 38 mm personalized medals. Such medals make fine medallic calling cards to give to people at a coin show or a coin convention and also to family and friends. Other Maryland TAMS members who have issues of personalized medals include Phil Greenslet, David King and Jack Pryor. Phil has an issue with the MD TAMS crest. Millard Hajek is completing his drawing for his personalized die.

Coin groups in Maryland having a crest die or die with their name on it include: Catonsville Coin Club and Carroll County Coi Club. The Maryland State Numismatic Association will soon have a die with their crest on it. For the past two years the Catonsville Coin Club has had an issue of Christmas medals with their crest on one side and the Christmas design and date on the other side. The Carroll County Coin Club had an 1988 issue of Christmas medals and also an attractive issue of medals marking the 150th Anniversary of the Carroll County Courthouse (1837-1987) which is illustrated on page 15 of the Fall 1987 issue of this journal.

An issue of personalized medals is not expensive to make. A die with your name, city, state and a membership number costs $130 US. An issue of 50 to 99 38mm medals runs $2.10 US per medal plus $12 postage. Just send the company the data you wish on the personalized die and they will make a free sketch for you.

You can use up to five antiqued metallic finishes (copper, gold plate, silver plate, brass or commercial bronze) for your medals. All medals are shipped in plastic envelopes.

You can use several obverse or picture dies for your own issue or medals at the same price as one obverse picture die. For instance you can make some MD TAMS medals and 1988 Christmas medals for the same price per medal as just the MD TAMS medals alone.

Each year there is a die available for Christmas and each year the design is different with the current years date. There will be a die for New Years this year also. Both of these dies may be used FREE of charge.

There are dies available with the members' crests for ANA and TAMS. If you are a member you can use the dies with the permission of the organization and a letter stating you are a member.

Each year there is a die for July 4th - US Independence Day. This year there is a real beauty - the Liberty Bell. Last year it was a scroll with the first 17 words of the Constitution, which I had the pleasure of designing. The year before (1986) it was the American flag and also a die for the Statue of Liberty to mark its centennial. These dies can still be used for medals.

There is the Association of Personalized Medal Issuers with a quarterly journal of 29 pages. The Association has a most attractive crest die with the American eagle at left which any medal issuer can use FREE of charge. See the photo at the beginning of the article.

I have never had so much fun in numismatics as I've been having giving out medals. Why not join the fun? For further information write the president of the company that made the MD TAMS die and the various issues of medals: Mr. Alan Trammell, Pressed Metal Products, 505 Alexander St. Vancouver, B.C., Canada, V6A 1c8, telephone, (604) 251-2454. The company is over 50 years old and has about 30 employees They have two talented medalists and engravers who can create a design from your description. They do a terrific job on portraits. Write for my portrait medal as a sample. It's the same price as the others.

COW TAGS

by Will Mumford

We all enjoyed the nice program a few months ago by Ed Lanham on collecting dog tags.... now how many of you have heard of COW TAGS?.....

While at a local antique show a few weeks ago my eyes spotted a box of large brass tokens. I was immediately intriged as they looked like giant pickers checks, with numbers and initials. I asked the dealer what they were used for and she said, "Cow tags." She thought the initials were the initials of the manufacturer, but I find it hard to believe that the initials are not that of the farmer.

I picked out an assortment of initials and purchased them at $1 each. The dealer didn't know where they were used, but she was from Virginia. No doubt the tags were attached to the cows much as dog tags are attached to dogs. Each cow had a different number... sorta like a cow's social security number. Does anyone know of other cow tags or if they were ever used in Maryland? ....I wonder what other animals wore tags....?

MD TAMS
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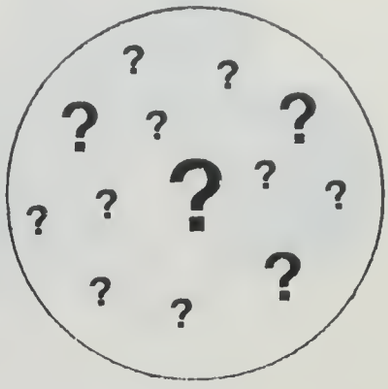
MEDAL DESIGN CONTEST



OBVERSE **REVERSE**

It was proposed at our MD TAMS meeting in January, 1988 that a CONTEST be held for design of the reverse of the medal to celebrate our upcoming 10th anniversary in 1989. The obverse of our medal will use the existing MD TAMS logo for which a die has already been prepared.

So, here are some rules for the contest which are really very simple. First, you must be a member in good standing in MD TAMS to participate. Second, submit your entry on an 8½ X 11 sheet of white paper. Of course, more than one entry per member is permissible, so the contest should not restrict your creative and artistic ability. Use only one sheet of paper for each entry. Your design can be in black and white or living color and should illustrate what you feel best suits our 10th anniversary celebration.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN JUNE 30th, 1988. Give your entries to either Phil Greenslet or Millard Hajek of the Medals Committee or mail them to: MEDAL CONTEST, P.O. BOX 3273, BALTIMORE, MD. 21228.

A prize will be awarded to the winning entry. So, get busy and start sketching your design for our MD TAMS 10th anniversary medal. GOOD LUCK!!!!!

Phil Greenslet
Millard Hajek
Medal Committee

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According to Webster's Dictionary, a.TOKEN is a piece resembling a coin issuedas money by some person or body other than a de jure government. b. a piece resembling a coin issued for a specific use (as for fare on a bus) by a particular group on specific terms.

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by CURTIS JUDGE

NOTES and QUOTES

Arcade Game Tokens

"Notes and Quotes" is a 150-page soft bound book, printed in a 6" x 8" format. The book is published by Van Brook of Lexington, Inc. P.O. Box 5044, Lexington, Kentucky 40555. The book is directly available from Van Brook for the sum of $4.00 per copy post paid. As most of our readers are aware, Van Brook is probably one of the largest minters of arcade type tokens in the United States.

Rather than an actual listing of arcade type token varieties, this book centers on the use, technical details, and various promotional schemes used by arcade operators for their token operated machines. The book is a basic primer that takes operator through all the steps required for purchasing machines, tokens, setting up his business, and then running various promotions to bring in the customers.

The most fascinating, and the most profitable, part of any discussion concerning arcade game tokens is the unlimited promotional programs which are available to an arcade operator. The book goes into great detail in several chapters covering the various promotions, give-away schemes, and advertising required to successfully market an arcade operation. Cash control, security, machine cost and maintenance, and various trade publications are also discussed.

In a final chapter the author goes into specific design considerations for an arcade operator's token dies. Stock die varieties and designs are discussed as well as custom die work and logos. Approximately ten pages of all different types of video tokens as produced by Van Brook are also included in the work.

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MAIL CORRECTIONS AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE MARYLAND MERCHANT TOKENS TO DAVID E. SCHENKMAN, P.O.BOX 366, BRYANTOWN, MD 20617

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Checken Fer Pickers

by WILL MUMFORD
MD TAMS LM-18

A Continuing Study of Anne Arundel County Farm Pickers Checks.

I doubt if we will ever reach the time when more picker checks cease to appear. Another series of these interesting farm tokens has been acquired by the Ann Arrundell County Historical Society. A Mrs. Dorothy Smith donated 1,246 brass tokens used by her grandfather, William Shipley Hammond who farmed on Ordnance Road in Anne Arundel County. William S. Hammond was born on October 3,1866 and died September 30,1924. The series consists of the twelve varieties described below:

value	no. donated
1	224
2	259
3	161
5	62
10	40
¢10¢	44
15	98
¢15¢	40
25	38
50	41
100	100
500	139

All of the tokens are scalloped (12) with beeded borders and are 25mm in size.

Most of these checks will be made into jewelry, but a few sets have been set aside for collectors. If you are interested, the society sells them for $1.25 each plus Maryland sales tax of 5%. There address is: Ann Arrundell County Historical Society, P.O. Box 836, Severna Park, MD 21146.

A SIX YEAR OLD berry picker in patch in Maryland. July 1909. Photo by Lewis Hine.

BOTTOMLEY FARM, AACO. MD. July 1909. Four year old boy in berryfield. Photo by Lewis Hine.

More photos from the Lewis Hine collection in the Library of Congress Photo collection. These photos were taken on the Bottomly farm in 1909.

The Elusive Reynolda,inc. Token of Winston-Salem

curtis h. judge

Having lived in North Carolina most of my life, one of my main collecting objectives has been to assemble as complete a collection of North Carolina tokens as possible. Although not as rare as the Lamb's Ferry of Camden or the Lucas Bus Line tokens of Elizabeth City, the Reynolda, Inc. tokens of Winston-Salem have continued to evade my best efforts to obtain examples for my collection. Hundreds of mail bid sales, auctions, trips to area coin dealers, and many letters have all failed to turn up a pair of the tokens. I do know two collectors who have single examples of the 16mm variety, but have never seen the 23mm token other than its illustration in the third edition of the Atwood Catalogue.

On a recent business trip to Winston-Salem, a very interesting afternoon was spent in search of the two tokens. The Reynolda Estate is located on Strattford Road, about five miles from downtown. Driving by the gates, I decided to stop as I had some time before my next appointment. I hoped to gain some information and possibly a lead on a token or two. The estate is now owned by Forsyth County and operated as a museum. I talked with several people inquiring about the tokens, including a Mr. Ernest Johnson who told me about his personal experiences with the bus system. Mr. Johnson is now in his late 70's. As a boy, he worked for the groundskeeper and rode the bus to work everyday.

Reynolda was built in the early 1900's by Mr. R.J. Reynolds, who established the Reynolds Tobacco Company. Reynolda was a huge estate, requiring many hired workers to operate all of its various functions. Mr. Reynolds had problems keeping workers due to the travel distance from town. In 1928 he purchased two red Packard busses, hired drivers, and established his own transport system for the workers and others wishing to travel to the area.

The system opened running four round-trips to town each day. The fare was ten cents. Due to pilferage by the drivers, the system soon began to use the 16mm tokens. They were purchased from a manager in the main house for ten cents each, or three for 25 cents. They were also available at one of the stores in town. The 23mm tokens came later when the fare was raised to two for 25 cents.

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In the end, I was not successful in locating the tokens, but had an interesting and informative side trip. The trip took place in 1983 and only recently have I managed to acquire one of the Reynolda tokens for my collection. I acquired one of the 23mm tokens, which I believe to be the rarer of the pair. This token came to me with a long pedigree. The token was originally obtained by a Baltimore, Maryland collector by the name of Bernard Baake in the early 1940's. When Mr. Baake died in 1961, his entire token collection was acquired by another California collector. A pair of the Reynoldas, including a 16mm and 23mm token, was in the Baake collection. After finally locating the current owner of the tokens and after approximately a year and a half of negotiating, the 23mm was finally obtained for my collection.

The author would be very interested in hearing from other members who have examples of the Reynolda transit tokens in their collections. He would like to try to establish a rough idea of how many examples of these tokens now exist. Originally, only 1,000 of each type were minted. If anyone has any additional information, or examples to trade, please contact:

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ANNE ARUNDEL FARM TOKENS, checks, stories, boxes, photos, or information. Contact: Will Mumford, 987 Sherwood Forest Road, Annapolis, MD 21401.

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WANTED: JAMES MADISON MEDALS, tokens, other exonumia or information on same. Write with price & description or source of information. Bryce F. Doxzon, 2307 Old Frederick Rd., Baltimore, MD 21228.

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National Coin Week Focuses on World Numismatics

National Coin Week '88, which will be observed this year from April 17-23, carries the theme "Windows on the World." The theme draws attention to the international aspect of numismatics. Commensurate with the study of coins and paper money from foreign nations is an understanding and appreciation for other countries' histories, societies, customs, philosophies and mentalities. "Windows on the World" offers a glimpse of the expansive learning opportunities inherent in coin collecting.

National Coin Week, first observed by the ANA in 1924, serves as a vehicle for numismatists to publicize the pleasures and benefits of coin collecting, particularly for the purpose of drawing non-collectors to the hobby. Activities traditionally organized by clubs and individuals include mounting numismatic exhibits in shopping malls, banks and libraries; talking before schoolchildren or civic groups; and manning information booths at coin shows and malls.

To assist collectors in publicizing the hobby, the ANA offers specially prepared packages of materials, including suggestions and guidelines for possible activities, sample proclamation forms, buttons, stickers, posters, tips on getting publicity, information about the ANA and its services, a bibliography of numismatic books, and a final report form to be completed and returned to the ANA by participants.

This "Windows on the World" logo represents the international flavor of National Coin Week '88.

To recognize ANA members who participate in NCW by speaking, exhibiting, writing articles or signing up new ANA members, the Association awards an NCW participation medal. Involved businesses, institutions and non-members may receive certificates of appreciation.

Why not take this opportunity to show non-collectors how enjoyable and engrossing our hobby can be. Request NCW promotional packets by writing to National Coin Week, American Numismatic Association, 818 North Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279.

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Traveling Exhibit Highlights FIDEM '87 Medals

Medal enthusiasts and the general public alike will have an opportunity to view selected pieces of the ANA-sponsored FIDEM '87 exhibition as it travels to sites across the United States in 1988 and early 1989.

The FIDEM '87 exhibition, which was the paramount attraction of the 50th Anniversary meeting of FIDEM (Federation Internationale de la Medaille), was on display at the ANA Museum through 1987. The ANA was particularly honored to host the prestigious gathering of medalists this past September as it was the first time the biennial event was held outside Europe.

The exhibition in Colorado Springs featured approximately 1,500 contemporary medals from more than 700 artists around the world and showed the vast range medallic art can encompass. Many of the medals break the traditional notion of what constitutes the art form.

The traveling exhibition, entitled "Selections from FIDEM '87," features 211 medals from 21 countries. The pieces comprising the traveling exhibition were chosen by delegates from each represented country.

Locations and tentative dates for the traveling exhibition are as follows:

- **Judah Magnes Memorial Museum**
  Berkeley, California
  May-June 1988
- **Smithsonian Institution**
  Washington, D.C.
  August-September 1988
- **Tampa Museum of Art**
  Tampa, Florida
  November-December 1988
- **American Numismatic Society**
  New York City
  February-March 1989

SAINT CECILA ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS. Fernando Jesus, Spain. 80mm, bronze, 1987.

UKIYOE-MAN, Keiichi Uryu, Japan. 70mm, silver, 1987.

K.H. MACHA, Jiri Pradler, Czechoslovakia. 60mm, bronze, 1986.

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